

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1066

By Herron

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Jayda Erkal, 2006  
Salutatorian of Martin Westview High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Jayda Erkal is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2006 graduating class at Martin Westview High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Erkal has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Jayda Erkal has earned an exemplary grade point average; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her status as a stellar scholar, this exceptional young woman has earned numerous accolades; she won first place at Westview's Science Fair and collected second place laurels at the Regional Science Fair in 2006; and

WHEREAS, a valuable participant in her school's activities and her community's affairs, Jayda is a member of several academic, social, and civic organizations, including the Beta Club, Anchor Club, National Honor Society, French Club, and Mu Alpha Theta; and

WHEREAS, in addition to serving with distinction as Drum Major in Westview's Marching Band, she is a gifted musician who is a member of the All-West Tennessee Jazz Band and a four-year member of the All-West Tennessee Concert Band; and

WHEREAS, Jayda Erkal has evidenced a strong commitment to public service and good citizenship at an early age, and she volunteers her time and considerable talents to worthy causes; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Erkal's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her success as a student at Vanderbilt University and throughout life; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Cahit Erkal and Julie Bjorenthun, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Jayda Erkal's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Jayda Erkal, 2006 Martin Westview High School Salutatorian, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.